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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PREVIOUSLY CITED ART

Sir:

In the Office Action dated March 30, 2005, the Examiner requested new copies of foreign patent documents JP-07-235255 and KR 1996-0039066. These documents were cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 10, 2004, but no copies of the documents were provided because they were submitted in the parent of the present application (see MPEP §609). The Office Action stated that these documents were not found in the file wrapper of parent application Ser. No. 09/788,411, which is now U.S. Patent No. 6,726,520.

In accordance with the Examiner's request, Applicants enclose herewith, a copy of each of JP-07-235255 (an English-language translation thereof also is submitted

herewith) and KR 1996-0039066 (counterpart to U.S. Patent No. 5,578,906, of record). In

addition, as evidence of prior submission, Applicants have enclosed a copy of the

initialized Form PTO-1449 of record in the parent application, indicating that the above

mentioned non-English documents and the mentioned English translation were received

and considered by Examiner Kenneth J. Ramsey of the Patent and Trademark Office.

It is respectfully requested that JP-07-235255, its English translation, and

KR 1996-0039066 be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of Form PTO-1449

submitted with the February 10, 2005 Information Disclosure Statement be returned with

the Examiner's initials indicating that these references have been considered.

Since JP-07-235255 and KR 1996-0039066 were originally submitted in the

parent application, no fee is believed due with this paper.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by

telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our

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